ARKANSAS BROILER HATCHERY

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ARKANSAS CHICK PLACEMENTS DOWN 2 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR

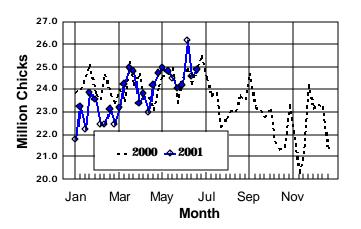
Broiler-type **chicks placed** for meat production in Arkansas was 24.9 million during the week ending June 30, 2001, according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2000, but 1 percent above the previous week, and included 2.4 million chicks shipped in from other states. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 30, 2001 were 620.1 million, down 3 percent from the same period a year earlier.

The broiler-type **chicks hatched** for the week was 25.6 million, 1 percent below the corresponding week a year earlier, and slightly below the previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.6 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 83.3 percent.

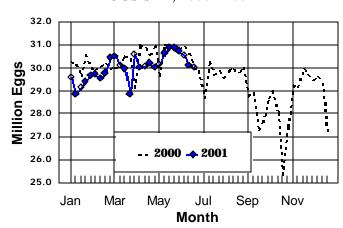
Arkansas hatcheries **set** 30.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending June 30, 2001, slightly above the same period last year, but slightly below the previous week.

	NET PL	ACEME	NTS	CHICK	KS HATCI	HED	EGGS SET			
Week Ending	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	2000	2001	% Change	
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May 26	24,103	24,501	102	24,319	24,893	102	30,978	30,896	100	
Jun. 2	24,562	24,050	98	25,720	25,100	98	30,846	30,900	100	
Jun. 9	24,940	24,206	97	25,443	25,523	100	30,943	30,740	99	
Jun. 16	24,286	26,194	108	25,754	25,758	100	30,644	30,578	100	
Jun. 23	25,775	24,594	95	25,747	25,738	100	30,043	30,126	100	
Jun. 30	25,510	24,872	98	25,970	25,620	99	29,920	30,055	100	

CHICKS PLACED IN ARKANSAS, 2000 - 2001



EGGS SET, 2000 - 2001



BROILER EGGS SET AND CHICKS PLACED IN 15 MAJOR STATES BY WEEKS, 2001

	CHICKS PLACED (in Thousands)											
	Week Ending				1/	Week Ending						1/
STATE	09-Jun	16-Jun	23 - Jun	30 - Jun	%	26 - May	02 - Jun	09-Jun	16-Jun	23 - Jun	30 - Jun	%
Alabama	29,512 *	29,637	28,784	29,413	105	21,682	22,516	22,512	22,394	22,953 *	22,473	104
ARKANSAS	30,740	30,578	30,126	30,055	100	24,501	24,050	24,206	26,194	24,594	24,872	97
Delaware	3,454	3,589	3,450	3,137	8 2	4,029	5,135	5,787	4,950	5,442	4,607	87
Florida	2,437 *	2,433	2,246	2,297	85	2,195	2,484	2,451	2,486	2,199	2,417	95
Georgia	32,530	32,395	31,203	32,084	106	25,377	26,336 *	25,358	25,797	26,352 *	25,540	100
Maryland	8,865	8,668	8,914	8,885	103	6,388 *	5,739	5,025	5,613 *	5,131	5,229	84
Mississippi	19,065	19,016	18,500 *	18,842	108	15,754	15,861	15,918	15,950	15,800	15,738	102
N. Carolina	17,939 *	17,082	17,886	16,781	100	14,636	15,123	14,226	14,243	14,596	14,817	104
Pennsylvania	3,833	3,925	3,764 *	3,701	108	2,775	2,713	2,769	2,642	2,675 *	2,814	107
S. Carolina	4,983	5,008	4,702	4,966	101	4,216	3,653	4,296	4,475	3,746	4,139	90
Texas	14,784 *	14,833	14,836	13,175	105	12,131	12,225	12,069	12,125	11,859	11,798	104
Virginia	6,626	6,803	6,506	6,113	99	5,365	5,152	5,541	5,353	5,539	6,072	121
C A T N & W V A	11,669	11,383	11,478 *	11,084	107	10,168	9,862	10,827	11,009	9,790 *	10,056	102
Total 2001	186,437 *	185,350	182,395 *	180,533		149,217 *	150,849 *	150,985	153,231 *	150,676 *	150,572	
Total 2000	185,844	183,276	180,334	174,933		148,402	149,543	148,957	148,434	150,449	149,938	
% PREV. YEAR	100	101	101	103		101	101	101	103	100	100	
APPROXIMATE M	ARKETING D	ATE 2001				. 14-Jul	21 - Jul	28 - Jul	04-Aug	11-Aug	18 - Aug	
* Revised.	1/ Curren	t week as p	ercent of the	same weel	k last y	ear.						
* Kentucky	5,362 *	5,678	5,863	5,404	* * * *	4,143	4,516	4,019	4,550	4,583	4,334	* * * *
*Oklahoma	6,315	6,168	6,105	5,731	* * * *	4,408	4,171	4,897	4,293	4,987	5,099	* * * *
* L A & M O	8,952	8,843	8,241	8,563	****	8,760	9,547	9,669	9,472	8,431	8,264	* * * *

^{*} Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States are being published for the first time in the weekly broiler program.

200,231

202,604 *

19 StateTotal

207.066 *

206,039

EGGS SET IN 15 MAJOR BROILER PRODUCING STATES UP 3 PRECENT

166,528 *

169.083

169,570

171,546 *

168.677 *

168,269

Commercial hatcheries in the 15-state weekly program set 181 million eggs during the week ending June 30, 2001. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP SLIGHTLY

Broiler growers in the 15-state weekly program placed 151 million chicks for meat production during the week ending June 30, 2001. Placements were up slightly from the comparable week in 2000. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2000 through June 30, 2001 were 3.83 billion, down slightly from the same period a year earlier.